

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

My how things do change! It seems only yesterday that Sidney Lanier High School in Montgomery was touted as a shining example of a high quality education. Now it is on the list of Alabama schools listed for possible take over by the State Board of Education because of continuing low test scores. If the poet Sidney Lanier were alive today, he would probably sue (and win) because of the slander to his name.

The new courthouse in Enterprise is completed and will be officially dedicated with an open house on Sunday afternoon, beginning at 2 p.m. The public is invited. This would be a good time to see where your tax dollars are being invested.

Sunday's newspaper reported the Thursday death of 75 year old Mrs. Gladys Milton. This midwife helped new mothers all over South Alabama (including Coffee County) and Northwest Florida... black and white. She successfully fought government red tape to become a hero and was recognized in Florida as an outstanding female role model. Her less-than state of the art clinic in Walton County, Fla., just out of Florida, burned twice, but she persisted through the fires and government efforts to jail her. Two of her children lost their life to drunk drivers, but she shouldered the burden, strongly voicing her belief in God daily. Miss Gladys went on to write two books, and there continues to be rumors of a movie on her life. This leaves no doubt of our great admiration of Gladys Milton, a black woman who bucked great odds and left a positive mark on society.

The lottery will more than likely become the law in Alabama, once the voters address the issue this fall. That is in spite of a concentrated effort by anti-gambling forces and those in-state and out-of-state folks who are afraid the lottery will cut into their pot of gold from other types of gambling. Recently we commented loudly about having a good weekend with the Florida Lottery. After the excitement of those listening quieted off, it was explained that this was because of keeping our money in the bank! Occasionally, we do get an impulse and buy Florida lottery tickets, using the same numbers each time. Often on those many other weeks, we "pretend" and go through the ritual of checking the numbers for winners. Never, ever, since the thing started have these numbers even come close to hitting the jackpot. We know from personally testing the system that you will be better off financially by keeping the \$5 bill in your pocket. However we concede, there is the hours or days of dreaming of a big win that no one can put a price tag on.

We are trying to be patient with everyone involved, but are really excited about soon getting to make an announcement about the pending new business venture considering the old Elba High gym. The positive things about Elba don't always make the headlines in the daily papers or on the evening news, but the community continues to move in the right direction. Announcing each of these advancements, as with the new doctor, makes us swell with pride, almost like we were personally responsible for the growth.

ATTITUDE

Today I can grumble about my health or I can rejoice that I am alive. What today will be like is up to me. I get to choose what kind of day I will have.

Have a Great Day...Unless you have other plans

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EDITORIAL

Redefining the role of Alabama's two-year colleges

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The cornerstone of the *Workforce Investment Act* is a system of one-stop service delivery centers. Such centers create a single point of entry to job training programs with access to core employment-related services, including job search assistance and labor market information, skills needed for occupations in demand, wages paid, and employment trends. The location of one-stop centers within the state's system of two-year colleges utilizes existing structures which already

provide such services at convenient locations, focused upon adult clients. The *Workforce Investment Act* replaces the *Adult Education Act* and incorporates the *Adult and Family Literacy Act* as a vital link to workforce development. The addition of the adult education function to two-year colleges equipped with one-stop centers will create a natural, seamless transition from literacy to work. No other segment of education or training has the ability to deliver services as does the two-year college system through its dynamic structure of established services to its constituents.

The role of the Board as the state's

leader in workforce development positions is to define the role of community colleges in impact the lives of hundreds of thousands of Alabamians. The two-year college system is uniquely qualified to deliver to Alabama citizens the technical, communication, and cognitive skills necessary to compete with workers around the world. The incumbent workforce must be retrained on a continuous basis to achieve and maintain optimum productivity. All Alabamians must be able to enter the labor force and to compete successfully, and only Alabama's two-year colleges can bring this to fruition.

In implementing recommendations for change, there must always be consideration of the creation of additional bureaucracy with more layers of administration and reporting relationships. As well, there must be consideration of whether the change will provide for the enhanced delivery of services or whether it will result in unnecessary duplication of services.

As the result of the convergence of the *Workforce Investment Act* and the recommendations of the Task Force for Effectiveness Planning in Postsecondary Education, there is a rare opportunity to provide improved services to students, to workers, and to employers, and to reduce administrative inefficiencies and duplication. There is the chance to establish a true, one-stop delivery system using components of an already existing administrative structure and adapting others.

The key to this change is the accountability provided by a single governing board for all components of the delivery of educational and training services: the Alabama State Board of Education. Pre-employment job skills, pre-vocational training to high technology programs, and university transfer programs, are all supervised and regulated by the Board. With a very few administrative and programmatic changes, The Alabama College System will be ready in a relatively short period of time to be the presumptive deliverer of workforce training in the State of Alabama. Accountability mechanisms in the form of Board policies, Chancellor guidelines, and Department of Postsecondary Education enforcement, should refrain from placing judgment on anyone, as we are all sinners - that's what makes us human.

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It is our Christian duty to spread the Word of the Lord, but I haven't seen a single Biblical reference in the ads that have been on TV and in the papers. You would think that the Christian Coalition could at least mention the Bible, but maybe they thought that would be taking the faith a little too far.

Respectfully,
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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

What exactly is the Christian Coalition of Alabama? Some might say that it is a group of people whose mission is to promote and uphold family values in the name of the Lord. Some might say they are known lately for the role they have been playing in the recent battle about video poker. Still others, perhaps those who can see a little more clearly, can see them for the hypocrites and liars that they really are. They can see that even though these people may carry a Bible in one hand, they have Mississippi money in the other.

Their leadership attacks other Christians, distorts the Truth, and distributes error-filled information. Though confronted with this truth, they continue to deny the truth and have refused to apologize or repent. In so doing they violate God's Word, including two of the Bible's Ten Commandments. They have given "false testimony" (Exodus 20:16) and they have misused the name of the Lord (Exodus

20:7), disguising contributions from Mississippi casinos as God's messages against gambling expansion. Instead of championing only authentic Christian issues, their purpose appears to be a blatant attempt to advance the agenda of Mississippi Casinos. Even at the expense of distorting the Truth, and damaging Christians from all political backgrounds, especially those in favor of video poker and other forms of gambling here in Alabama. I personally believe that all Christian organizations should actively seek and encourage input from interested, professing Christians, regardless of political affiliation. I also believe that Christians - organizations should refrain from placing judgment on anyone, as we are all sinners - that's what makes us human.

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SENATOR—

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much of that money we can get 95 cents to the classrooms with freedom for the school systems to use it as they wish," said Sessions.

Commenting on world affairs, Sen. Sessions said, "The Kosovo situation has troubled me greatly." He commended the military saying they did a magnificent job, and he was most pleased with their performance.

"But, it is a war I am so strongly convinced should have never occurred," he said. "There were no winners. It was a loser for everybody."

In closing, the senator promised to continue working for the American people in making government better by taking a more aggressive approach to correcting bad situations and being more careful in spending tax dollars.

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County Residents Encouraged To Take Part In Saturday Is Historic Delegate Selection Process For Presidential Straw Poll

Alabama Republican Party Chairman Winton Blount said Monday that excitement and enthusiasm for Saturday's county conventions is growing.

The county conventions will be held to select delegates to the state's first Republican Presidential Straw Poll. The county's June 26 convention will be among 66 others held to select up to 3,008 delegates and 602 alternates from across the state.

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AREA DEATHS

INA EARL BROWN

Mrs. Ina Earl Brown, age 82, of 221 Taylor Ave., Elba, died June 19, 1999 at her residence.

Funeral services were held on June 21, 1999 at Hayes Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Darryl Maddox and Rev. Zealou Smith officiating. Burial followed in the Evergreen Cemetery of Elba with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Mrs. Brown was preceded in death by her husband, Benjamin Hollis "Bill" Brown, and her youngest daughter, Carol Ann Fudge.

Survivors include a daughter: Marlene Willis, Elba, three sons: Lee Edwin Brown, Indianapolis, Ind.; William Henry "Bill" Brown, Cordova, Ala.; Anthony Hollis "Tony" Brown, Andalusia, Ala.; three sisters: Totsye Cunningham, Fithian, Ill.; Sarah Temple, Urbana, Ill.; Mary Jane Roberson, Campbellton, Fla.; 14 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

JOHN JASPER HUDSON

Mr. John Jasper Hudson, age 76, of 1908 County Road 349, Elba, died June 18, 1999.

Funeral services were held June 21, 1999 at Center Ridge Methodist Church with Rev. Don Tew officiating. Burial followed in the Church cemetery with Dillard-Jackson-Bryan Funeral Home of Brundidge directing.

Survivors include his wife: Mildred Ellafair Hudson, Elba; three daughters and sons-in-law: June and Mike Davis, Daytona Beach, Fla.; Jane and Max Watson, Chancellor, Ala.; Wilma and Edwin Hudley, Panama City, Fla.; four sisters: May Belle Hudson, Lizzie Hudson, Iona Hudson, and Alice Hudson, all of Enterprise; a brother:

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er: Joe Ray Hudson, Enterprise; six grandchildren: Stephanie Hofmann, Patrick Watson, Jeff Hudley, Melanie Loy, Christopher Martin and Jason Martin.

LILLIE MAE BESS

Ms. Lillie Mae Bess, born to the union of the late Daniel and Elma Bess of Sanson, Ala., died June 8, 1999 in the Wiregrass Hospital in Geneva, Ala.

Funeral services were held June 15, 1999 at Springfield Baptist Church in Sanson with Rev. C.A. Hammonds officiating. Burial followed in the Sanson City Cemetery with Hammond Funeral Home of Elba directing.

Survivors include three sisters: Nellie Collins, Marianna, Fla.; Mary Sue Kent, Cincinnati, Ohio; Cynthia Vaughn, Belleville, Mo.; two brothers: L.L. Bess, Sanson, Ala.; Jack Bess, Niceville, Fla.

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CHURCH

Vacation Bible School is planned for June 27 - July 1 at First Baptist Church of Elba

First Baptist Church of Elba invites all children age 3 through grade 6 to join us on an expedition to "Mt. Extreme: The Ultimate Good News Challenge." Get ready for a mountain-top experience that is too good to miss. Every day will include an exciting worship rally in the Mountain Lodge. Then kids will traverse through adventure-filled Bible stories, create a mountain of crafts, explore unique mis-

sion sites experience extraordinary Mt. Extreme music, and climb to new heights in recreation. "Mt. Extreme: The Ultimate Good News Challenge" will be held at First Baptist Church on June 27-July 1. We'll begin each day at 5:30 p.m. and end at 8:20 p.m. A complimentary supper will be served at 5:30 p.m. For more information, please call 897-2246.

Mount Calvary Missionary Baptist Church to hold VBS July 12-14

Get aboard the Vacation Bible School Train for loads of fun at Mount Calvary Missionary Baptist Church in Elba. VBS will be held

July 12, 13 and 14 from 9 a.m. until Noon each day. The church is located on County Road 528 and everyone is welcome.

ROUND & ABOUT WITH ERIA 897-2006

Scripture: Acts 2: 38-47

Thinking of you, praying for you:

Rev. E. Holley, Evelyn Manning,

Rev. E. Magwood, Hannah Coleman,

Rev. Henry Ewing Jr., Edd Bailey,

Baby Hardwick, Claud Gully,

Princell Kelley, Tony Burks.

***Vacation Bible School at Rocky Head Baptist Church in Elba will be held July 19-23 at 6 p.m. nightly. All youth are welcome, and there will be lots of learning, fun and activities.

***A gospel singing at Bethel A.M.E. Church in Elba will be held June 26 at 6 p.m. There will be

many guest choirs and groups performing.

***Annual Homecoming and Family and Friends Day of Shiloh M.B. Church in Elba will be held June 20 at 11 a.m. Revival services are being held June 21-25 at 7 p.m. nightly. Those attending the Sunday services from Rocky Head M.B. Church in Elba are: Cleaven Williams, Hattie Bell Carpenter, Mary A. Hooks, J.L. and Estella Williams, Freddy Culver, Patti, Tofia and Bria, Evelyn Manning, Mason and Jason Gully, Juanita Brooks and Res'Nita, Juanita Burks, Shambria and Sherika, Leigh Anna Bryant, Jordan Flowers, Gavin and Tina, Bessie Williams, Chastity, Breta and LaRay, Shonda, Rev. Ronnie Caldwell, Ernestine Kelley and Melissa, Lanzo Cook, Maxwell Hooks and Matthew, Grover and Eria Lindsey Belcher.

***You Need to Know: African American History-June

Timeline 1896: (June 14) The National Association of Colored Women is formed.

Did you know? The Harmon Foundation has been exhibiting the works of African Americans since 1928 and now has the largest such collection in the United States.

Did you know? Bessie Coleman was the first black, worldwide, to become a licensed pilot.

Question? In what year was the first issue of Ebony Magazine published?

Answer. 1945.

Question? Who invented ice cream?

Answer. Augustine Jackson in 1832.

—African American Black History Calendar—

Sinner

1 - If you go to a psychiatrist, you become an adjusted sinner.

2 - You can go to a physician and become a healthy sinner.

3 - You can achieve wealth and become an affluent sinner.

4 - You can learn what the Bible says and become an educated sinner.

5 - You can join a church and become a religious sinner.

But you are still a sinner.

—Selected—

Today is a good day, be grateful!

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PASTOR'S CORNER

Dr. TONY DYE, Pastor of WESTSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH

A Father's Ambition

"And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." (Ephesians 6:4)

"Do you remember your father?" asked the judge sternly, "that father whom you have disgraced?" The prisoner answered, "I remember him perfectly. When I went to him for advice or companionship, he would look up from his book on the Law of Trusts, and say, 'Run away, boy, I am busy.' My father finished his book and here I am."

Albert's father, one of the busiest architects in Mannheim, regarded architecture as merely a means to a financial end. He told a visitor: "It made no difference to me what I did. My main concern was to make money." His money gave young Albert all the material privileges a young boy might imagine: a fourteen-room apartment, servants, a chauffeur, a nanny. Young Albert, however, received neither affection nor understanding from his parents.

Little Albert felt lonely in a family of five. When he began public high school in Heidelberg, two of his new friends quickly encouraged him into mischief. Albert's heart swelled with pride whenever his name was written in the gradebook because of some prank he had pulled, and he immediately noted the event in his own pocket calendar.

At age 18, despite a brilliance in and love for mathematics, Albert decided to follow his father's advice and study architecture, no doubt hoping to "earn" his father's love in this way. Ten years later, his study was richly rewarded when he gained the unrestricted affection of someone who became a "surrogate" father figure to him: the Fuhrer and Chancellor of the German Reich.

It was not only in architecture that Albert Speer earned Hitler's regard. He became Hitler's Minister of Armaments and War Production, a job in which he had only one goal in mind: to earn "marks" in history's book.

Fathers, I challenge you to examine your goals and ambitions in life. It does not matter what we do outside of our homes if we are a failure there. For us, as men, to gain the whole world and then to lose our own families, is to utterly fail at life. Let us put our time where our "true treasures" are. Pour your life into your family, teaching them to love and honor the Lord, and you will be a rich man for all eternity!

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CHURCH

Vanderbilt Holiness Church to host gospel singing, Saturday, June 26th

A gospel singing will be held at Vanderbilt Holiness Church on Saturday, June 26, at 6 p.m. Featured groups to include: "The Moon Family" and "Saved By

Grace." The church is located on Coffee County Road 114 - one mile past Southland. Everyone is welcome.

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The Roarks to be in concert at Country Cathedral

The Roarks will be in concert at Country Cathedral this Sunday night, June 27. They sing a variety of Southern and Country Gospel. The concert will start at 6 p.m. with no admission charge. A love offering will be received. The church is located on U.S. Hwy. 84 East of Opp. Everyone is welcome.

Revival Services to be held at Elba Church of God

Elba Church of God invites all to "come receive your new refreshing" during Revival services. June 27 through July 1. Revival evangelist will be Ziggy Sanchez. Services for Sunday, June 27 will be at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Services for the remainder of the week will be at 7 p.m. nightly. Everyone is invited.

Wise Mill Assembly of God Church to hold revival services

The Wise Mill Assembly of God Church, located at 233 County Road 224 - six miles from Elba, will begin a Revival on Sunday, June 27. The evangelist will be Rev. Steve Pettis from Baker, Fla. The Sunday services will begin at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. The revival will continue through Thursday, July 1. Monday through Thursday services will begin at 7:15 p.m. nightly. Everyone is invited to attend.

Heavens Way Church to hold gospel singing June 26th

"Heavens Way Church" in New Brockton will hold a gospel singing on Saturday, June 26, at 7 p.m. The featured group will be "The Lighthouse Singers" from Banks, Ala. The church is located at 112 S. John Street next to City Hall. All are offering will be taken.

NOTICE

If anyone has friends or loved ones buried in Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Cemetery, the church needs your donation to help with the upkeep of the cemetery.

There is a trust fund for the cemetery set up at SouthTrust Bank in Elba. Please make your donations at the bank or send to Lena Farris Kendrick, Apt. 4, Elba, AL 36323.



AIR FORCE AIRMAN TYRONICA L. FLOWERS has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. Flowers is the daughter of Dorothy J. May of Brantley. The aim is a 1997 graduate of Brantley High School.

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CHESTNUT GROVE METHODIST CHURCH

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LIFESTYLES

Miss Howell and Mr. Davis to wed Saturday, June 26th



Miss Howell & Mr. Davis

Mr. and Mrs. Markie Pomroy Howell of Kinston announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Sonna Michelle Howell, to Daniel Jacob Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Allen Davis of Opp.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Winston Adkinson of Samson and Mrs. Jessie Howell and the late Mr. Gray Howell of Kinston. She is a graduate of Kinston High School and Troy State University with a B.S. and M.S. degree in education. She is currently pursuing her Ed.S. degree in school counseling at Troy State University Dothan. She is employed as the Samson Elementary School Counselor.

The groom-elect is the grandson of Ms. Lillian Tisdale and the late Mr. Ray Tisdale and Mrs. Ruby Davis and the late Mr. J.P. Davis of Opp. He is a graduate of Opp High School and Auburn University with a B.S. and M.S. degree in Agribusiness education. He is currently pursuing his AA certification in Agribusiness education at Alabama A&M. He is employed at the Elba High School Agribusiness instructor.

The wedding is planned for June 26, 1999, at half past six o'clock in the evening at Ino Baptist Church with a reception immediately following the ceremony in the church fellowship hall. All friends and family are invited to attend.

Cary Clark graduates from University of South Alabama

Cary McLeod Clark of Elba completed her degree work at the University of South Alabama during the 1999 Spring Semester. Clark received her Bachelor of Science degree in Arts and Sciences. She graduated with honors. Summa Cum Laude.



JORDAN FAULK, the son of Ashley and Deborah Faulk of Jack, will celebrate his second birthday on June 28, 1999. Jordan is the grandson of Kenneth and Annette Earles and Walter and Ann Faulk, all of Jack. He will celebrate his birthday on Saturday with a "Scooby Doo" party. All of Jordan's friends and relatives are invited.



TIFFANY FARRIS IS REPRESENTING Elba High School this week in Washington, D.C. with the Washington Youth Tour sponsored by Alabama Rural Electric Association of Cooperatives. Tiffany is the daughter of George and Kay Farris.

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Bridal Tea honors Miss Katherine Hayes

Katherine Hayes, bride-elect of Kevin Davis, was honored with a bridal tea Sunday, June 13, at the home of Mrs. Henrietta Grimes.

The front door of the Grimes' home was adorned with a tier of white wicker bells tied with pink ribbon.

Mrs. Grimes greeted the guest and presented them to the receiving line composed of Miss Hayes, the honoree; Mrs. Mary Spier, mother of the honoree; and Mrs. Betty Davis, mother of the future groom.

The guests were directed to the bridal registry attended by Karen Keith, sister-in-law of the future groom.

Refreshments were served by Lauren Keith, niece of the future groom.

Hostesses for the occasion were Henrietta Grimes, Ann Davis, Pansy Smith, Jane Cash, Barbara Howell, Sonna Howell, Dorothy Whitehurst, Paula Black, Kaye Whitehurst, Frances Brunson, Pearl Kent, Elizabeth Dyess, Carolyn Kelley, Verne Maddox, Shirley Henderson, Janice McCall, Merlene Owens, Charlotte Parker, Lorette Nelson, Doris Matthews, Marianne Marler, Sam Bradley, Sylvia Padgett, Elizabeth Lindsey, and Theresa Kelley.

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LIFESTYLES

Watson-King united in holy matrimony March 27 at First Baptist Church of Elba

Miss Catherine Ann King, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Edwin King of Trussville, Ala., formerly of Elba, and Mr. Todd Brandon Watson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Leon Watson of Evergreen, Ala., were united in marriage on Saturday, March 27, at three o'clock in the afternoon at the First Baptist Church of Elba. The ceremony was performed by Reverend Jimmy O'Bryant of Thomasville, Ala., the groom's former pastor, and Reverend Earl Watson of MacIntosh, Ala., uncle of the groom.

An arched candelabra and pairs of nine branched candelabra filled with white candles provided a background of candlelight for the massive arrangement of alstroemeria lilies, roses, snapdragons, fugi mums, and gladioli, shaded from deepest rose to palest pink and softened with Queen Ann's lace, which centered the chancel area. Eureka and jade palms and Boston fern filled the chancel with the outer edges marked by seven branched candelabra filled with burning white candles.

Massive arrangements of greenery filled the window ledges and wreaths of galax were hung on the church doors.

Mrs. Bob Roberson, organist, and Mrs. Kimmy Ham, pianist, presented "The Heavens Are Telling" by Hayden, Bach's "My Heart Ever Faithful" by Wagner, and "The Lord's Prayer" in duet. Piano solos included "Sheep May Safely Graze" by Bach, Saint Saens' "My Heart At Thy Sweet Voice", and "Trauer" by Schumann. Organ selections included "Canonic Variations" by Pachelbel, Handel's "Air", and "Suite Gothic" by Beethoven.

The procession was "Trumpet Voluntary in D" by Purcell followed by the traditional "Bridal March from Lohengrin" by Wagner. The recessional was "Wedding March from A Midsummer Night's Dream" by Mendelssohn and the postlude was "Ode to Joy" by Beethoven.

Mr. Butch Oggs sang "O, Perfect Love", "Sweet Sweet Spirit", and "The Lord's Prayer".

The bride entered the sanctuary on the arm of her father by whom she was given in marriage. She wore her sister's gown of white summer satin. The fitted bodice of Alencon lace, which was heavily embroidered with pearls and iridescents, featured a scalloped sweetheart neckline which dipped to a low "V" in the back. Delicate satin petals softened the neckline at the shoulder while appliques of pearls and lace scalloped the hemline of the gown and were scattered across the ballroom skirt and cathedral train. The bride wore her mother's veil of silk illusion which was attached to a crown of peau de soie roses.

Catherine carried the white prayerbook her mother and her sister had carried at their weddings topped with a cascading bouquet of white roses, orchids and stephanotis. Family tradition was continued as the bride carried her great grandmother Warr's handkerchief tucked into her bridal bouquet.

The bride was attended by her sisters, Amy Janet King of Orlando, Fla., as maid of honor, and Susan King Smith of Birmingham, Ala., as matron of honor. Her other attendant was Heather Jill Watson of Montgomery, Ala., sister of the groom. Their gowns of cranberry summer satin featured a double breasted bodice with a deep rounded neckline, cap sleeves, and pleated effect over a full length straight skirt. They carried cascading bouquets of roses and snapdragons in shades of pink and accented with star of Bethlehem and seeded eucalyptus.

The bride's niece, Miss Elizabeth Chandler Smith of Birmingham, served as flower girl. Her white European length dress of imported Swiss batiste was edged in ecru French lace and satin ribbon. The dress was accented with a full skirt of puffing strips and hands of lace and insertion. Chandler's dress was handmade by a white basket of pink roses and star of Bethlehem.

The groom was attended by his father, Mr. Howard Leon Watson, as best man. Groomsmen were Mr. Clinton Hassell Hyde of Evergreen and the bride's brother, Mr. Robert Milton King of Atlanta, Ga. Ushers were Mr. Curtis O'Neal Jordan Jr. of Frisco City, Mr. Ronald Wayne Cauley of Brewton, uncles of the groom, and Dr. Alvin Blair Smith of Birmingham, brother-in-law of the bride.

The ring bearer was Master Clarkson Blair Smith of Birmingham, nephew of the bride. The heirloom white Swiss batiste pillow he carried had been daintily tucked and embroidered by the bride's mother and was the pillow carried at the wedding of his parents.

For the wedding, Mrs. King wore a floor length suit of periwinkle blue summer crepe with a jacket edged in finger food on silver trays. The silver punch service was centered on a long table flanked by two five branched candelabras holding white candles and accented with roses entwined in the branches held an assortment of finger food on silver trays. The silver punch service was centered on a long table flanked by two five branched candelabras holding white candles.

The bride's table was centered with the tiered wedding cake iced in white roses and lace and topped with pink roses. The cake was encircled with pink roses, orchids, and seeded eucalyptus.

The groom's table held a rectangular caramel cake with a praline pecan topping. The cake was surrounded with galax.

The cakes were cut and served by Miss Emily Strong of Orlando, Fla., cousin of the bride, and Mrs. Ronald Cauley and Miss Lauren Cauley of Brewton, aunt and cousin of the groom.

Mr. and Mrs. Watson will reside in Tuscaloosa for the remainder of the summer while he prepares for the Alabama State Bar Examination



Mrs. Todd Brandon Watson

ding was directed by Mrs. Kenneth Strong of Elba, aunt of the bride. After the wedding the bride's parents entertained at a reception in the church parlors.

Two large round white skirted tables centered with nine branched candelabras holding white candles and accented with roses entwined in the branches held an assortment of finger food on silver trays. The silver punch service was centered on a long table flanked by two five branched candelabras holding white candles.

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PRE-NUPITAL PARTIES

The bride and her attendants were honored with a luncheon on Friday, March 26, at the home of Sara Strong, aunt of the bride. Assisting her were Irma Warr, grandmother of the bride, and Janice McCall.

The groom and his attendants enjoyed a golf outing in Evergreen on Friday, March 26.

AFTER REHEARSAL DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Watson, parents of the groom, entertained members of the wedding party and family with a seated dinner after the rehearsal in the fellowship hall of the church. Groupings of ferns and palms provided a soft background for the tables which were covered with white cloths and held arrangements of candles, greenery, and childhood pictures of Catherine and Todd. A highlight of the evening was the reading of poems written by the siblings of the bridal couple.

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Shower - June 19th Wedding - July 10
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SPORTS

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THE PRESSBOX

By Ricky Mularz

This was the second Father's Day since my Daddy passed away, and this one hurt even more than it did last year because this time I wasn't able to visit him. Last year I was in Mobile over the Father's Day weekend and stayed at the cemetery for a long time thinking, and wiping away the tears. This year, however, there was simply no way to get to Mobile on Sunday, and I missed him more than ever before. To borrow a thought from former Alabama coach Bear Bryant.... "Have you called your Daddy today? I sure wish I could call mine."

DUSTING OFF THE DUST....

*** The All-Star teams are in the paper this week for the Dixie Minor, Dixie Youth and Dixie Boys baseball leagues, and while the teams all appear to be pretty solid, there will no doubt be some upset parents in all age groups. The hardest group to select had to be the Dixie Youth All-Stars, where no less than 25 players were good enough to make the 13-player squad. The coaches nominated the players and then voted on the 13 players to be included on the team, ranking the players from the best to the 13th best in the league. The order of finish on each ballot determined the number of points received, and the top vote getters made the squad. I urge all parents to remind their kids that just because they didn't make the All-Star team doesn't mean they didn't play well. Every single child that gets on the field in front of bleachers packed with shouting adults is a winner in my book and deserves a mighty big hug!

*** The Elba Girls Softball League will have four teams playing this weekend at various sites in the ARPA tournaments, but our girls have never backed down from any challenge and will play hard this weekend. Good Luck!

*** The Elba Dixie Boys All-Stars will swing into action this week in Luveme, and the All-Star coaches are confident that they both have teams that should compete for the tourney titles. The 13-year-old and 14-year-old tournaments will both be held at the Luveme Municipal Park, and I urge all baseball fans to c'mon out and support the teams as they represent our league against teams from Luveme, Greenville, Highland Home and Troy. See 'ya there!

*** The Travelers, an "18 and Under" girls softball team from Elba, made the trip up to Auburn last weekend to compete in the ASA South Sub-State Softball Tournament and really put on a show as they scored 38 runs in just two games to bring home the championship trophy. The team had a long wait to get the tourney started after a couple of teams failed to show, but made the most of the opportunity when the action finally got started and totally dominated a team from Lafayette to win the tourney. The Elba team competed in the "18 and Under" tourney even though it had no eighteen-year-olds on the roster, and had only four girls that were even seventeen. A huge crowd gathered around the field the girls were on as word spread of the lusting excitement that was underway, and all the fans at the park agreed that the Elba Travelers were indeed something to see.

*** Plans are now being made for the 1st annual Ronald McKinnon Football Camp, to be held in late July at Miller Stadium, in Elba. Preliminary plans are for McKinnon and several other NFL players to conduct the camp, which will be co-sponsored by the Elba Department of Parks and Recreation. The camp for kids ages 6-14 will be a two-day event, while there are also plans for a coaching clinic, and a hamburger cookout to let the players meet the pros and get autographs and pictures. Look next week for a formal announcement and the dates of the camp.

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Win regular season and tourney titles

Yankees sweep coach-pitch baseball championships

The Yankees capped off a perfect regular season last week to win the Coach-Pitch Baseball League title, then clobbered all challengers in the league tournament to make it a clean sweep of the 1999 coach-pitch crowns.

Following are highlights of last week's regular season and tournament action:

*** **YANKEES 18 PHILLIES 15** - The Yankees scored six runs in their final at-bat to pull ahead and claim an 18-15 win over the Phillies. Richard Cooks scored 4 runs for the Yankees, while Jordan McBride scored 3 runs and Devin Jackson, Jonathan Kelley, Ashley Sanders, Gavin Flowers and Jordan McBride all scored 2 runs. Justin Mallory scored 1 run for the Yankees. Justin Griswold scored 3 runs for the Phillies, while Brandon Bell, Kyle Osborn, Hayden Smith and Forrest Wilkinson all scored 2 runs, and Seth Coleman, Matt Halstead and

Trey Knight scored 1 run apiece.

*** **RAYS 15 DODGERS 12** - The Rays staged a late rally to ease past the Dodgers 15-12. Drew Ellis, Brock Lambert, Taylor Cotton, Kevin Allen and Keith Rodgers all scored 2 runs for the Rays, while Ethen Dodd, Brandon Byrd and Dylan McCollough all scored 1 run. Aaron Drewey scored 3 runs for the Dodgers, while Andrew Head, Jason Allen and Marshall George, and Ben Pope, Griffin Cash and Ryan McCollough all scored 1 run.

TOURNAMENT ACTION:

*** **PHILLIES 42 DODGERS 6** - The Phillies jumped out to an early 30-0 lead and coasted in with a 42-6 win over the Dodgers. Forrest Wilkinson and Justin Griswold both got 5 hits for the Phillies, while Matt Halstead, Kyle Osborn, Hayden Smith, Kyle Roehler, Brandon Bell, Seth Coleman and Trey Knight all

scored 4 runs, and Jeremy Johnson scored 3 runs. Ben Pope, Ryan Pope, Andrew Head, Devonta Tillis, Jason Allen and Marshall George all scored 1 run for the Dodgers.

*** **MARINERS 9 RAYS 4** - The Mariners pulled out to a 9-1 lead in the third inning and held on to down the Rays 9-4. Josh Maddox and Chance Goosby both got 2 hits for the Mariners, while Andrew Head, Jason Allen and Marshall George, and Ben Pope, Griffin Cash and Ryan McCollough all scored 1 run.

*** **YANKEES 37 PHILLIES 14** - The Yankees outscored the Phillies 26-0 over the final two innings to pull away and post a big 37-14 win. Ashley Sanders and Gavin Sanders both scored 6 runs for the Yankees; while Richard Cooks scored 5; Justin Mallory, Devin Jackson and Bradley Wilson scored 4; Jonathan

Kelley scored 3; Michael Spurlin and Jamison Baker both scored 2; and Jordan McBride scored 1 run. Justin Griswold scored 4 runs for the Phillies, while Hayden Smith scored 2, and Forrest Wilkinson, Kyle Osborn, Kyle Roehler, Brandon Lee and Trey Knight all scored 1 run.

*** **YANKEES 41 MARINERS 3** - The Yankees scored 17 runs in the opening inning to take charge and rolled to a big 41-3 win over the Mariners. Bradley Wilson scored 6 runs for the Yankees; Devin Jackson, Richard Cooks and Ashley Sanders all scored 5 runs; Justin Mallory, Michael Spurlin, Jonathan Kelley and Gavin Flowers all scored 4 runs; Jamison Baker scored 3 runs; and Jordan McBride scored 1 run. Jonathan Bryant, Kydon Tillis and Trey Belcher all scored 1 run for the Mariners.

Titles still up for grabs

Dixie baseball seasons head into final week

The Elba Dixie Youth and Dixie Minor Baseball League continued its season last week with plenty of action and excitement in each and every game. Following are highlights of last week's action:

*** **CARDINALS 5 A'S 2** - The Cardinals pulled ahead 5-0 in the third inning and rolled to a 5-2 win over the A's. In Dixie Minor action, Luke Simmons got 2 hits and scored 2 runs to lead the Cardinals, while Craig Cheesborough added 2 hits and Josh Roberts added 1 hit and scored 2 runs. Don Rhoades and Jordan Flowers both scored 1 run for the A's.

*** **BLUE JAYS 19 RAYS 3** - The Blue Jays pulled ahead 19-0 early and rolled to a 19-3 win over the Rays. In Dixie Minor action, Brad Sullivan and Deymar Williams both got 2 hits and scored 3 runs for the Jays, while Demetrio Tyson and

Dekebie Bullard both added 1 hit and scored 2 runs. Jacob Forbes got 1 hit and scored 2 runs; Ryan McCollough got 1 hit and scored 1 run; Adam Henderson scored 3 runs; Jason Johnson scored 2 runs; Ben Johnson, Shane Griswold and Jamison Harold all scored 1 run for the Rays.

*** **DIAMONDBACKS 6 BREWERS 1** - The Diamondbacks pulled ahead early and pulled away late to down the Brewers 6-1. In Dixie Youth action, Justin West and Drew Donaldson both got 1 hit and scored 1 run to lead the D-Backs, while Tanner Medley added 1 hit; Kyle Cheesborough scored 2 runs; and Matthew Hattaway scored 1 run. Heath Parker got 1 hit and scored 1 run for the Brewers.

*** **INDIANS 10 ANGELS 5** - The Indians broke loose late to rally past the Angels 10-5. In Dixie Youth action, Lonzo Cooks and LaRay Williams both got 1 hit and scored 2 runs for the Indians, while Reynar Rogers and Lewis Johnson both added 1 hit and scored 1 run, and

Phuu-Quann Hill scored 1 run. Ben Johnson, Shane Griswold and Jamison Harold all scored 1 run for the Angels.

*** **PRIME-TIME 17 DORSEY 7** - PrimeTime jumped out to an early 14-1 lead and rolled to a 17-7 win over Dorsey Trailers. Todd McKee got 4 hits to lead PrimeTime, while Greg Parker, Tim Tidwell and Kevin Dodd all added 3 hits. Danny Nalley, Jeff Kelley, Marcus Parker and Keith Bell all hit home-runs for Dorsey.

*** **SCOOTER STORES 14**

Mason Gulley scored 3 runs. Trey Grantham and Drew Parker both got 1 hit and scored 1 run for the Angels, while Stefaun Burks scored 2 runs.

*** **BROS CLUB 16 SCOOTER STORES 10** - The Scooter Stores jumped out to an early 11-1 lead and held on late to edge past the Elba Stars 14-11. Ralph Sanders and Jeff Kelley both got 3 hits to lead Scooter Stores, while Dennis Knox and Earl Kennedy both got 3 hits for the Stars.

*** **BROS CLUB 16 SCOOTER STORES 10** - The Bros Club jumped out to a 12-1 fourth inning lead and held on late to defeat Scooter Stores 16-10. E. Wood and Marcus Parker both got 4 hits to lead Bros Club, while Jessie Whitfield added 3 hits. David Kileasee got 3 hits for Scooter.

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The Elba Dixie Youth Baseball League has selected its "1999 All-Star" team that will compete on July 8-12, at the Sub-District Baseball Tournament, in Hartford. All-Star team members include:

* Heath Parker
* Clark Skinner
* Mason Gulley
* LaRay Williams
* Mark Windham
* Ryan Gibbs
* Drew Donaldson
* Josh Smith
* Chase Boutwell
* T.J. Winters
* Timothy Jackson
* Tanner Medley
* Austin Smith

Water watch workshop to be held in July

On July 10th, the Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center, in cooperation with the Conecuh/Seipula Watershed Alliance and the Center for Environmental Research and Service at Troy State University, will host an Alabama Water Watch Basic Certification Workshop. The workshop prepares interested citizens to monitor streams, rivers and lakes using a test kit and prepares them to do stream biological assessments based on the macroinvertebrate organisms found in the stream.

The Elba Dixie Boys Baseball League has announced its All-Star teams that will compete this weekend at the Dixie Boys Sub-District Tournaments, in Luveme. Following are team rosters in both age divisions:

*** **13-YEAR-OLD ALL-STARS**
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McMorrow wins big at South Alabama Speedway in Kinston

Gary McMorrow was the big winner Saturday night at South Alabama Speedway. McMorrow won the IMCA Modified Feature and also won the Sports and Racing Collectibles Feature Driver Bonus, an extra \$550 bonus. McMorrow started on the pole, and was the class of the field on this night, building as much as a straightaway lead. Rege Hellett charged to second place. Jeff Rudd took third place, with Jesse Barnhill fourth and James Mason fifth.

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The Elba Dixie Minor Baseball League has chosen its "1999 All-Star" team that will compete on July 8-10, at the Sub-District Baseball Tournament, in Enterprise. Team rosters are as follows:

*** **ELBA AMERICANS**
* Kyle Purvis
* Will Sims
* Heath Hollis
* Ryan Roehler
* Luke Simmons
* Craig Cheesbrough
* Josh Roberts
* LeHill Shirley
* Deymond Williams
* Brad Sullivan
* Adam Henderson

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* Ryan McCollough

ELBA NATIONALS

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* Blake Berry
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ASA SOUTH SUB-STATE CHAMPIONS...The Elba Travelers captured the 1999 ASA South Sub-State Championship last week in the "18 and Under" softball tournament, held in Auburn. Team members include (front row, l-r) Lakya Flowers, Britanny Mobley, Denise Cooper, Tonya Cauley, Katie Vaughan, Raean McKinnon, and LaGina Mack. (Back row, l-r) Roshanda McKinnon, Michelle Lewis, Coach Ricky Mularz, Melissa Mularz, Rachel Bludsworth, Brandy Evans, Kendra Vaughan, Vaughan Boyd, Casey Skinner and Coach Earl McCollough.

Elba Travelers claim ASA South Sub-State softball championship with lopsided wins

The Elba Travelers competed in the ASA South Sub-State Softball Tournament last weekend in Auburn and blasted out 47 hits, hit 10 home-runs and scored a total of 38 runs in only two games to bring home the championship trophy in the girls' "18 and Under" division.

The Travelers, a member of the Elba Girls Softball League

COMMUNITY NEWS

Elba Elementary honor roll students are listed

4th Nine Weeks A" Honor Roll

1st Grade
Lindsay Haley, Robby Forbes, Catherine Irwin, Marshall George, Jason Cooper, Latofia Culver, Jessica Lockett, Ethan Carpenter, Ben Pope, Donnell Horstead, Kevin Allen, Taylor Creel, Tyrese Daniels, Daniqua Horstead, Hannah Miller, Brent Ordway, Emily Miller, Lindsey Sikes, Keri Jones, Devin Jackson, Brian Roberts, Brock Lambert, Kyle Pope, Jarion Walker, Janae Carley, Taylor Cotton, Ty Gray, Jo Jo McBride

2nd Grade

Kim Blue, Kotera Burrows, Kelly Corder, Amanda Geddings, Michael Jackson, Shanika Pruitt, Maisie Thomas, Kydon Tills, Trey Belcher, Meredith Brunson, Griffin Cash, Chessie Cross, Brett Johnson, David Maddaloni, Jason Mitchell, Megan Sullivan, Richreana Singletary, Cody Sasser, Cortlin Lee, Quenton Caldwell, Jamison Baker, Kym Coleman, Brittany Davis, Andrew Head, Kiera Robertson, Mercedes Stevens, Jordan McBride, Gabby Welch, Laquita Reed, April Finedore, Bradley Wilson, Eileen Dodd, Dylan McCollough, Ashley Bailey, Shelby Brunson, Drew Ellis

3rd Grade

Erica Daniels, Jeremy Grissett, Austin Parrish, Christopher Salter, Kandace Smith, Tierney Starks, Dimetrio Tyson, Misti Miller, Dymond Williams, Don Rhoades, Martin McCormick, Aaron Harelson, Bobby Hudson, Ashton Nelson, Justin Pike, Megan Anderson, Matthew Gibson, Cordell Hooks, Trey Martin, Brittany Phillips

4th Grade

Ashley Cauthorn, Tiffany Hartin, Chase Boutwell, Katie Cash, Whitney Bailey, Chafin Johnson, Whitney Kilcrease, Anna Petty, Whitney Sasser, Brianna Bailey, Savannah Sikes, Adam Henderson

5th Grade

Kayla Kelley, Ashleigh Waddail, Elena McCormick, Timothy Jackson, Casey Medlock, Tori

Books

6th Grade
Ashley Gibson, Emily Paul, Lyndsay Lawford, Aaron Harelson, Cassy Cooper, Jessie Thigpen

"A & B" Honor Roll

1st Grade
Brandon Byrd, Summr Blackmon, Dylan Hays, Jabari Cole, Ryan Pope, Brittany Arnette, Timothy Simmons, Seth Walden, Jonathan Kelley, Justin Mallory, Keke Oliver, D.J. McKee, Jessica Berry, Jonathan Sasser, Marcus Caldwell, Jeannette Burks, Keith Rodgers, A.J. Watson, Shelley Hutchison, Kareem Silar

2nd Grade

Sebastian Haddaway, Alex McCauley, Kelly Miller, Shelby Moore, Cameron Smith, Johnny Stoudemire, Aaron Drewery, Marrita Levens, Jonathan Maddox, Rachel Morrow, Donnie Hay, Kydra Tills, Jonathan Richardson, James Morris, Tyler Hall, Brandy Caldwell, Dana Calhoun, Alexis Bush, Shelby Adcock, Dekemba Bullard, Briney Calloway, Kendall Chappell, Brittany Page, Autumn Sasser, Shakeya McBride, Donnie Stinson, Morgan Anderson, Dustin Dizon, Kiandra Head

3rd Grade

Caleb Bannin, Cali Crook, John Jared, Channing Morris, Alyssa Walden, Bilyon Jones, Marissa Bludsworth, Matthew Brunson, Kiswa Cole, Shaquarius Edwards, Tia McCowen, Tiffany Bryan, Ashley Carpenter, Caleb Davis, Will Gray, Tatiana Parker, Yousheha Terry, C.J. Johnson, Kayla Jones, Robert Paul, Blake Ogalla, Jahmal Brown, Jessica Burks

4th Grade

Emily Driggers, Jason Johnson, Melanie Mularz, Brian Blair, Eric Butts, Laura Grover, Josh Hudson, Traci Spinks, Antwon Tills, Chris Boutwell, Clara Burrows, Leslie Flowers, Amber Palmer, Nicholas Nelson, Andrew Blenn, Brandon Boutwell, Wesley Calhoun, Ryan McCollough, Chris Smith

Peanut Scouting School to be held on June 30th

The 1999 Peanut Scouting School will be held at the Wiregrass Experiment Station in Headland on Wednesday, June 30. The program will start at 9 a.m. with Dallas Hartzog discussing the development of the peanut plant and identification of non-pest related problems in peanuts. John Everest will present scouting weeds in peanuts. Austin Hagan will discuss identification and monitoring diseases and nematodes. Ron Weeks will discuss insect identification and scouting techniques. After the sponsored dinner, there will be a field tour of local peanut fields until about 2:30 p.m. This meeting is approved for commercial applicator and certified crop advisor points. This is a valuable meeting for all in the peanut industry.



Hunter Hargrove, member of the Elba FFA Chapter, won second place in the Safe Tractor Driving Event during the recent Southeast District Eliminations held in Ozark. For his efforts, Hunter received a chapter banner, cash award, and the right to represent his district in June during the State FFA Convention in Montgomery. Pictured with Hunter is his instructor of Agriscience Technology Education and FFA advisor at Elba High School, Jacob Davis.

Imported lighter recall is announced by Consumer Product Safety Commission

The following product safety recalls were conducted by firms in cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) during the past week.

Lighters - ZNY Enterprises Inc. of New York, N.Y., is recalling about 10,600 novelty and disposable cigarette lighters. The novelty lighters are shaped as a telephone pager, cell phone, and Godzila. The disposable lighters are a "formal" design, which is a platinum-colored, gold-colored, and silver-colored metal lighter. The lighters are refillable and each lighter has a sticker that reads, "MADE IN CHINA." Small retail and souvenir stores nationwide sold these lighters from January through April 1999 for about \$2 to \$6.

PROBLEM: The lighters do not have any child-resistant mechanisms, as required by federal law. Young children could ignite the lighters, presenting fire and burn hazards.

WHAT TO DO: Consumers should stop using these lighters immediately and return them to the store where purchased for a refund. For more information, call ZNY Enterprises Inc. collect at 917-373-4289 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. E D T Monday through Friday.

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Growing plant claiming to fight mosquitos being offered to long suffering public

Angela Hughes
County Extension Agent

A plant that repels mosquitoes and eliminates the need for aerosol sprays? Sound too good to be true? Maybe, maybe not.

The Citrosa Mosquito Fighter is a green plant heralded as a natural insect repellent. The genetically created plant is a product of crossing tissues of an African Geranium with the Grass of China. The Citrosa works by producing the same chemicals (citronella oil) found in citronella candles. The chemicals act to block the mosquito's sensory apparatus or confuse its blood-seeking ability so that it cannot detect mammals and the insects will leave the area. The plant reportedly repels

blackflies and aphids as well. Advertisements for the Citrosa claim the plant will grow up to 5 feet tall and can be used indoors or outdoors. The flyers state that one mature plant will protect an area of about 100 square feet. However, the plant may work better in a small area or at a door entry. Most plants are purchased at a height of 7 to 12 inches tall.

Although the Citrosa is touted as being effective and completely harmless, is it? An Extension entomologist at Auburn University, says he knows of no sound scientific evidence to back up some of the advertising claims.

There are many factors to consider when trying to repel mosquitoes with the Citrosa plant. Outdoors, can breezes blow the citronella vapors away from the area from which you are trying to repel mosquitoes? If a 5-foot plant protects 100 square feet, does that mean a

2,000 square foot home needs 20 5-foot plants for protection? If not, what scientific research has been done to determine the right dosage of plants for a given area?

Citronella has been around for many years as an insect repellent. However, citronella oil should not be considered harmless. There is information on citronella as a potential skin and respiratory irritant. Also, what if small children were to eat leaves containing citronella? What are the effects of breathing low levels of citronella over long periods of time?

Consider these and other questions about the plant before making a purchase. Your definition of safe and effective may not be the same definition as that of the salesman. Make sure you understand what you are getting. Use common sense when protecting your family and home from pests.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Dorsey employees give their office a facelift

On Friday, June 18, the office personnel at Dorsey Trailers in Elba got out from behind their desks, put on some old clothes and began rolling those paint brushes as they put a fresh coat of paint on the walls of the office. For that one afternoon, every person in each department had the same goal in common...make the walls look fresh. The following are highlights of the employees working together as a team to create a more pleasant looking work environment.



Laura Cirone



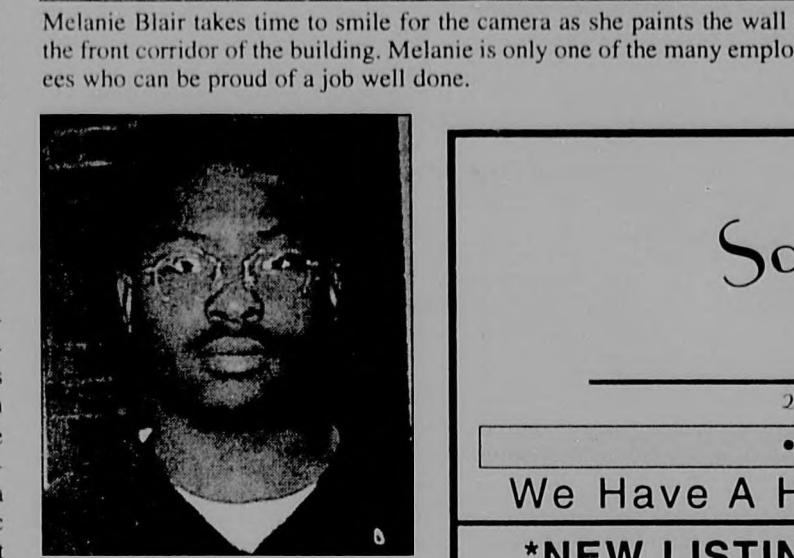
R.J. Cirone

Cirone children accepted to Alabama School of Fine Arts

Laura and R.J. Cirone have both been accepted to attend the Alabama School of Fine Arts in Birmingham for the 1999-2000 school year. Founded in 1971, the A.S.F.A. was created by the state legislature to provide a comprehensive arts and science institution for gifted students. The specialty programs in math/science, theater arts, music, dance, visual arts, and creative writing are augmented by a distinguished core academic program. Laura, a tenth grader, will attend the math/science department.

Her future plans include a major in medicine. R.J. will enter as a seventh grader in the creative writing department. His career goal is to be a writer.

Laura and R.J. are the children of Emil and Cynthia Cirone, formerly of Enterprise. Emil is an aviation safety inspector for the Federal Aviation Administration, and Cynthia teaches high school math at a private school in Birmingham. Laura and R.J. are the grandchildren of Bob and Syble Hahn who reside in Elba.



Melanie Blair takes time to smile for the camera as she paints the wall in the front corridor of the building. Melanie is only one of the many employees who can be proud of a job well done.



Bill Hall carefully applies paint on the wall with a roller brush along the hallway of the office.



Misty Boland climbs atop a ladder to trim the corners of the wall before the rollers do their job.

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Gideon wins award in mathematics

The United States Achievement Academy recently announced that Linda Gideon from Elba has been named a United States National Award Winner in mathematics. This award is a prestigious honor very few students can ever hope to attain. In fact, the Academy recognizes fewer than 10 percent of all American high school students.

Gideon, who attends Elba High School, was nominated for this national award by Mrs. Sue King, a teacher at the school. She will appear in the United States Achievement Academy Official Yearbook, which is published nationally.

The Academy selects USA winners upon the exclusive recommendation of teachers, coaches, counselors, and other qualified sponsors and upon the Standards of Selection set forth by the Academy. The criteria for selection are a student's academic performance, interest and aptitude, leadership qualities, responsibility, enthusiasm, motivation to learn and improve, citizenship, attitude and cooperative spirit, dependability, and recommendation from a teacher or director.

Gideon is the daughter of Troy and Roberta Gideon from Elba. Grandparents are Jack and Macie Gideon of Jack, Mildred Bryant of Jacksonville, Ill., and Mike Bryant of Elba.

Computer course offered at ESJC

Enterprise State Junior College's popular special interest course, Using the Microcomputer—Level I, will be offered again this summer semester to assist persons having NO keyboarding skills. Overcoming a fear of computer usage, understanding basic key-

boarding functions. Participants must bring a 3 1/2" disk to the first class. The course is scheduled for Mondays and Tuesdays, July 19-27, 5:30-7:30 p.m. There is a \$30 fee for the course, and the registration deadline is July 13. Space is limited to the first 15 to register.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Newman brings the beauty of art to Elba

by Linda Hodge, Staff Writer

You see a painting of a seascape or a nostalgic barn and wonder who the artist is or where he/she lives. Well, there is a possibility that the painting you are looking at may have been created by someone right here in Elba.

Wilson Newman has been painting for about the past 30 years, and he moved to Elba from Panama City, Fla. after the 1990 flood to a home that his wife, Addieleen Prescott Newman, already owned.

"I didn't start out as a kid painting," Mr. Newman said. "It was later in life that I developed a desire to paint."

He said in the beginning his trees looked like sticks with blobs on top, but with the help of some talented instructors and a few courses at the Jr. College in Panama City.

He found his way to the world of art.

He began his artistic endeavors simply as a beginner with an instructor at a recreation department in Panama City. He then took a few courses at the Jr. College in Panama City, as well as taking some instruction from a teacher at an art and frame shop in Panama City. Whereas Mr. Newman credits his instructors with helping him a great deal, he said it was his desire to paint that led the way.

"He simply loves to paint," said Mrs. Newman. "And, I love for him to do it because I enjoy looking at his work."

"I have a feeling for nostalgic things," said Mr. Newman. "These are things that are going away, and you probably won't have much longer."

He said he enjoys painting such nostalgic things as old barns, houses, watermills and covered mills. Also, he paints seascapes, landscapes and still-lives.

"Being from Panama City, you would expect that he would have to paint seascapes," Mrs. Newman said.

Other than painting the familiar scenes from home, Mr. Newman said he gets ideas for his paintings from anywhere. He said he takes a camera with him on road trips because he never knows when he might see something that strikes him in a way that he has to paint it.

"I might see an unusual tree and want to create a scene with that tree being the central focus," he said.

Mr. Newman said he enjoys painting acrylics more than oils because you don't have to wait as long for acrylics to dry. On the other hand, Mrs. Newman, who also has been painting for many years, said she enjoys oils better because you have more time to make corrections on oils than acrylics. Mrs. Newman even taught some art classes with crayons while teaching the third grade at Elba.

These days, although Mr. and



If the seagull in the above painting seems familiar, it is because Mr. Newman created this painting in honor of the book, "Jonathon the Seagull." Fittingly, the Newmans refer to the painting simply as, "Jonathon."

Mrs. Newman paint for their enjoyment, Mr. Newman has sold several paintings throughout the years and has had his artwork viewed during the numerous art shows he entered while living in Panama City.

"If we were 20 years younger, we would open a studio here in Elba," Mrs. Newman said. "But, these days we enjoy painting when we want and having the time to do other things when we want as well."

We've been very fortunate to be able to do that," added Mr. Newman.

But, viewing Mr. Newman's work is still just as simple as asking,

"We have people ask us all the time to see his work," Mrs. Newman said. "And, we enjoy showing paintings. I personally think they are pretty."

And, Mr. Newman still sells his paintings. As a matter of fact, he said if a person has an idea for a painting and presents it to him, he will paint it for them. Mr. Newman will also frame the painting for the person based on the type wood they prefer. The only requirement to get

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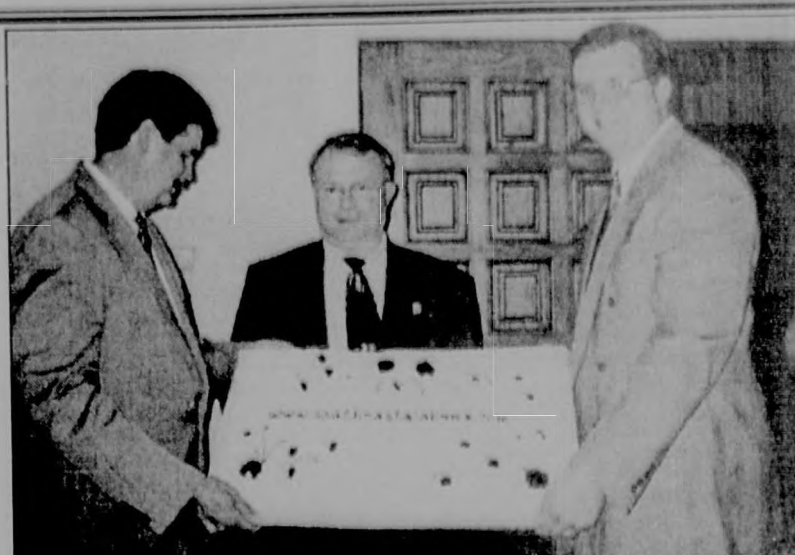
Alabama Republican Party Chairman Winton Blount said Monday that excitement and enthusiasm for Saturday's county conventions is growing.

The county conventions will be held to select delegates to the state's first Republican Presidential Straw Poll. The county's June 26 convention will be among 66 others held to select up to 3,008 delegates and 602 alternates from across the state.

The Coffee County convention will be held at the Ramada Inn at 630 Glover Avenue in Enterprise at 9:30 a.m. Those who have not received an invitation in the mail may register at the convention or call their county contact Mr. Albert L. Patterson, III at 334-393-7064 to receive one. In order to participate, a person must be a resident of Alabama and the county in which they register, present a valid Alabama photo ID, be at least 18 years old by Oct. 27, 2000, and pay a \$15 registration fee the day of the convention.

Invited candidates who have either announced their candidacy or formed organizational committees include: former Tennessee Gov. Lamar Alexander, Gary Bauer, Texas Gov. George Bush, television commentator Pat Buchanan, former Transportation Secretary Elizabeth Dole, 1996 presidential candidate Steve Forbes, Rep. John Kasich of Ohio, former U.S. Ambassador Alan Keyes, Sen. John McCain of Arizona, Angel Rocker of Florida, Sen. Bob Smith of New Hampshire, and former Vice President Dan Quayle.

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Southeast Alabama Economic Development Partnership Web Site

The comprehensive economic development web site known as the Southeast Alabama Economic Development Partnership (www.southeastalabama.com) is now operational. With funding assistance from the Economic Development Administration (EDA) and content assistance from regional partners, the Southeast Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission developed a tool to promote the region with the purpose of creating jobs and

improving our quality of life. The site was officially opened at the Commission's June 1 On Board Meeting. According to W. Fred Dykes, Executive Director of the Commission, the site is unique in that it is a comprehensive and balanced approach to economic development attuned to the fast growing Information Age. And says Dykes, "we don't know of another such site on the Internet, though there are plenty of one component sites on the web." The complete sections of the site are: Industrial and Related Services, Tourism, Agriculture, Retiree Attraction, and Entrepreneurial/Small Business development.

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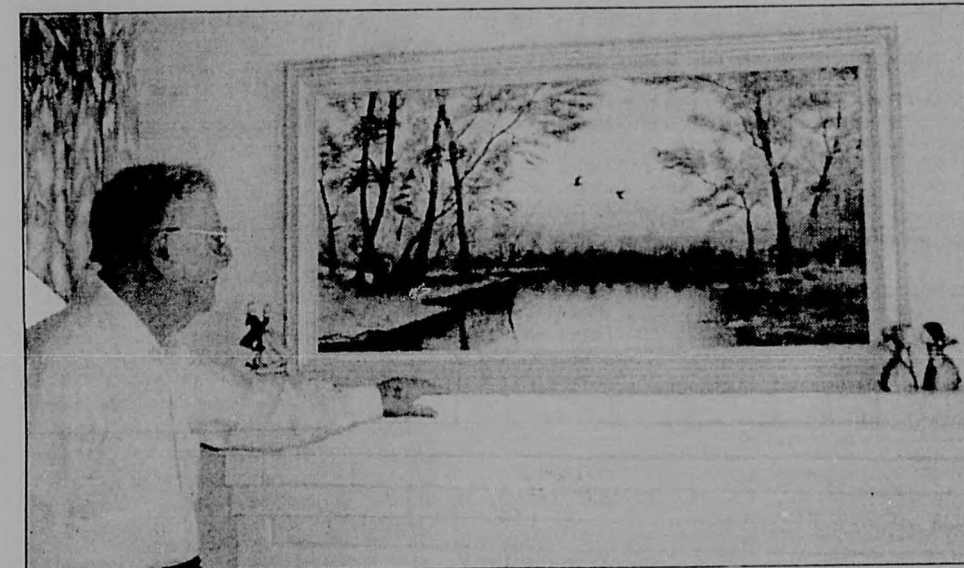
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Wilson Newman admires this painting which he created to represent an October Sunset. Landscapes, like this, are among his favorite subjects to paint. "October Sunset" can be found on display above the fireplace at the Newman residence.

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